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Amendment dated March 28, 2005
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REMARKS

In page 2 of the Office Action mailed on January 28, 2005, the drawings were objected to for various reasons related to reference numbers. With this Amendment, Figure 3 is amended and paragraphs 30, 34 and 43 of the specification are amended in compliance with these objections.

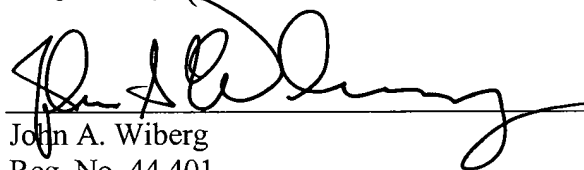
On pages 3 and 4 of the Office Action, the claims are objected to because of various informalities. With this Amendment, claims 1, 3, 5, 9, 16 and 19 are amended, and claims 13 and 17 are cancelled, in compliance with these objections. Applicant submits that all objections are overcome with this Amendment.

The Examiner indicated that the claims would be allowable if amended to overcome the objections. Because the claims are amended to overcome the objections, Applicant submits that claims 1-12, 14-16 and 18-20 are in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge additional fee(s) or credit overpayment(s) to the deposit account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Account No. 13-0017.

Date: March 28, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John A. Wiberg', is written over a horizontal line.

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Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached replacement drawing, FIG. 3, is amended to add the reference number 320 and to change the reference number corresponding to B(z) to 305.